SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1025

By Berke

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Nancy Collum upon her selection as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2008, the American Lung Association of Tennessee, in conjunction with Belk, will present the 23rd Annual Women of Distinction Awards, designating Nancy Collum as a 2008 Woman of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, a long-standing Chattanooga tradition, the Woman of Distinction Awards are granted to women who have distinguished themselves through their professional career accomplishments and their dedication to the community through their numerous and valuable civic and philanthropic endeavors; the honorees are selected from community nominations; and

WHEREAS, an alumna of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC), Ms.

Collum has committed herself to service, standing as President of the UTC Alumni Council and Vice President of the UT National Alumni Association; additionally, she has worked assiduously as a member of the board of governors of UTNAA and the UTC Advisory Board for Accounting and Finance; and

WHEREAS, she also participated as a member of the 1987 UT Presidential Search Advisory Committee and the UC Foundation and Chancellor's Roundtable; and

WHEREAS, currently operating as the Vice President of loan review at Northwest

Georgia Bank, Nancy Collum has contributed her expertise to her profession as the 2007

President of the three-state Southern Regional Chapter of the Risk Management Association

and as a Past President of the National Association of Credit Management Women's Group; and

WHEREAS, she serves with acumen and alacrity as Treasurer of the Board of the Walter E. Boehm Birth Defects Center and sits on the allocations committee of The United Way of Greater Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards or honors, Nancy Collum received the United Way Community Investment Award, was named as an Outstanding Young Woman of America, and is a graduate of Leadership Catoosa; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Ms. Collum sings in the CSO Chorus and volunteers in the box office at the Chattanooga Theatre Centre; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Collum epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; she takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Ms. Collum, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Nancy Collum upon being named as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee, recognizing her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit and extending to her our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.